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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Purpose

This document is a non-proprietary Security Policy for the Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel. It describes the module and the FIPS 140-2 cryptographic services it provides. This document also defines the FIPS 140-2 security rules for operating the module.

This document was prepared in fulfillment of the FIPS 140-2 requirements for cryptographic modules and is intended for security officers, developers, system administrators, and end-users.

FIPS 140-2 details the requirements of the Governments of the U.S. and Canada for cryptographic modules, aimed at the objective of protecting sensitive but unclassified information.

For more information on the FIPS 140-2 standard and validation program please refer to the NIST website at <https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/cryptographic-module-validation-program>.

Throughout the document “Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel”, “cryptographic module”, “CoreCrypto KEXT” or “the module” are used interchangeably to refer to the Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel. macOS 10.14 Mojave is the fifteenth release of macOS (previously OS X). Throughout the document it is generically referred to as macOS Mojave or macOS.

## 1.2 Document Organization / Copyright

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## 1.3 External Resources / References

The Apple website (<http://www.apple.com>) contains information on the full line of products from Apple Inc. For a detailed overview of the operating system macOS and its security properties refer to [MACOS] and [SEC]. For details on macOS releases with their corresponding validated modules and Crypto Officer Role Guides refer to the Apple Knowledge Base Article HT201159 - “Product security certifications, validations, and guidance for macOS” (<https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT201159>)

The Cryptographic Module Validation Program website (<https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/cryptographic-module-validation-program>) contains links to the FIPS 140-2 certificate and Apple Inc. contact information.

### 1.3.1 Additional References

FIPS 140-2 Federal Information Processing Standards Publication, “FIPS PUB 140-2 Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules,” Issued May-25-2001, Effective 15-Nov-2001, Location: <https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/cryptographic-module-validation-program/standards>

FIPS 140-2 NIST, “Implementation Guidance for FIPS PUB 140-2 and the Cryptographic IG Module Validation Program,” November, 2018  
Location: <https://csrc.nist.gov/CSRC/media/Projects/Cryptographic-Module-Validation-Program/documents/fips140-2/FIPS1402IG.pdf>

FIPS 180-4 Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 180-4, March 2012, Secure Hash Standard (SHS)

FIPS 186-4 Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 186-4, July 2013, Digital Signature Standard (DSS)

- FIPS 197 Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 197, November 26, 2001  
Advanced Encryption Standard(AES)
- SP800-38 A NIST Special Publication 800-38A, "Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation", December 2001
- SP800-38 C NIST Special Publication 800-38C, "Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: The CCM Mode for Authentication and Confidentiality", May 2004
- SP800-38 E NIST Special Publication 800-38E, "Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: The XTS-AES Mode for Confidentiality on Storage Devices", January 2010
- SP800-38 F NIST Special Publication 800-38F, "Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: Methods for Key Wrapping", December 2012
- SP800-57P1 NIST Special Publication 800-57, "Recommendation for Key Management – Part 1: General (Revised)," March 2007
- SP 800-90A NIST Special Publication 800-90A, "Recommendation for Random Number Generation Using Deterministic Random Bit Generators", January 2012
- SP800-132 NIST Special Publication 800-132, "Recommendation for Password-Based Key Derivation", December 2010
- SEC Security Overview  
Location: <https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/navigation/#section=Topics&topic=Security>
- MACOS macOS Technical Overview  
Location: [https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/#documentation/MacOSX/Conceptual/OSX\\_Technology\\_Overview/About/About.html](https://developer.apple.com/library/mac/#documentation/MacOSX/Conceptual/OSX_Technology_Overview/About/About.html)
- UG User Guide  
Location: <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT201159>

## 1.4 Acronyms

Acronyms found in this document are defined as follows:

AES	Advanced Encryption Standard
BS	Block Size
CAVP	Cryptographic Algorithm Validation Program
CBC	Cipher Block Chaining mode of operation
CFB	Cipher Feedback mode of operation
CMVP	Cryptographic Module Validation Program
CSP	Critical Security Parameter
CTR	Counter mode of operation
DES	Data Encryption Standard
DRBG	Deterministic Random Bit Generator
DS	Digest Size
ECB	Electronic Codebook mode of operation
ECC	Elliptic Curve Cryptography
ECDSA	DSA based on ECC
EMC	Electromagnetic Compatibility
EMI	Electromagnetic Interference
FIPS	Federal Information Processing Standards
FIPS PUB	FIPS Publication
GCM	Galois/Counter Mode
HMAC	Hash-Based Message Authentication Code
KAT	Known Answer Test
KEXT	Kernel extension
KDF	Key Derivation Function
KPI	Kernel Programming Interface
KS	Key Size (Length)
MAC	Message Authentication Code
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
OS	Operating System
PBKDF	Password-based Key Derivation Function
PCT	Pair-wise Consistency Test
RNG	Random Number Generator
SHS	Secure Hash Standard
Triple-DES	Triple Data Encryption Standard

## 2 Cryptographic Module Specification

### 2.1 Module Description

The Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel is a software cryptographic module running on a multi-chip standalone general-purpose computer.

The cryptographic services provided by the module are:

- Data encryption / decryption
- Generation of hash values
- Message authentication
- Signature generation / verification
- Random number generation
- Key derivation
- Key generation

#### 2.1.1 Module Validation Level

The module is intended to meet requirements of FIPS 140-2 security level 1 overall. The following table shows the security level for each of the eleven requirement areas of the validation.

FIPS 140-2 Security Requirement Area	Security Level
Cryptographic Module Specification	1
Cryptographic Module Ports and Interfaces	1
Roles, Services and Authentication	1
Finite State Model	1
Physical Security	N/A
Operational Environment	1
Cryptographic Key Management	1
EMI/EMC	1
Self-Tests	1
Design Assurance	1
Mitigation of Other Attacks	1

Table 1: Module Validation Level

#### 2.1.2 Module components

In the following sections the components of the Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel are listed in detail. There are no components excluded from the validation testing.

##### 2.1.2.1 Software components

CoreCrypto has a KPI layer that provides consistent interfaces to the supported algorithms. These implementations include proprietary optimizations of algorithms that are fitted into the CoreCrypto framework.

The CoreCrypto KEXT is linked dynamically into the macOS kernel.

##### 2.1.2.2 Hardware components

There is hardware acceleration for AES-NI within the cryptographic module boundary.

### 2.1.3 Tested Platforms

The module has been tested on the following platforms with and without AES-NI:

Manufacturer	Model	Operating System
Apple Inc.	Mac mini with Intel i5 CPU	macOS Mojave <sup>1</sup> 10.14
Apple Inc.	MacBook Pro with Intel i7 CPU	macOS Mojave 10.14
Apple Inc.	MacBook Pro with Intel i9 CPU	macOS Mojave 10.14
Apple Inc.	iMac Pro with Intel Xeon CPU	macOS Mojave 10.14
Apple Inc.	MacBook with Intel Core M CPU	macOS Mojave 10.14

Table 2: Tested Platforms

## 2.2 Modes of operation

The Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel has an Approved and Non-Approved Mode of operation. The Approved Mode of operation is configured in the system by default and cannot be changed. If the device starts up successfully then CoreCrypto KEXT has passed all self-tests and is operating in the Approved Mode. Any calls to the Non-Approved security functions listed in Table 4 will cause the module to assume the Non-Approved Mode of operation.

The module transitions back into FIPS mode immediately when invoking one of the approved ciphers as all keys and Critical Security Parameters (CSP) handled by the module are ephemeral and there are no keys and CSPs shared between any functions. A re-invocation of the self-tests or integrity tests is not required.

Even when using this FIPS 140-2 non-approved mode, the module configuration ensures that the self-tests are always performed during initialization time of the module.

The module contains multiple implementations of the same cipher as listed below. If multiple implementations of the same cipher are present, the module automatically selects which cipher is used based on internal heuristics. This includes the hardware-assisted AES implementation (AES-NI).

Approved security functions are listed in Table 3. Column four (Algorithm Certificate Number) of Table 3 lists the validation numbers obtained from NIST based on the successful CAVP testing of the cryptographic algorithm implementations on the platforms referenced in Table 2

Refer to <https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/cryptographic-algorithm-validation-program> for the current standards, test requirements, and special abbreviations used in the following table.

### 2.2.1 Approved Security Functions

Cryptographic Function	Algorithm	Options	Algorithm Certificate Number
Random Number Generation; Symmetric key generation	[SP 800-90] DRBG	Generic Software (C) Implementation using Assembler Implementation of ECB Modes: CTR_DRBG AES-128, AES-256 Derivation Function Enabled	2403, 2404, 2405, 2406, 2428

<sup>1</sup> macOS Mojave 10.14 is the fifteenth release of macOS (previously OS X). Throughout the document it is generically referred to as macOS Mojave or simply macOS.

Cryptographic Function	Algorithm	Options	Algorithm Certificate Number
		VNG Implementation using Assembler Implementation of ECB Modes: CTR_DRBG AES-128, AES-256 Derivation Function Enabled	2418, 2419, 2420, 2421, 2422
		Generic Software (C) Implementation with AES-NI Modes: CTR_DRBG AES-128, AES-256 Derivation Function Enabled	C171, C172, C173, C174, C175
		Generic Software (C) Implementation Modes: HMAC_DRBG Without Prediction Resistance SHA-384 SHA-512	C176, C177, C236, C237, C238
		Generic Software (C) Implementation with SSE3 Modes: HMAC_DRBG Without Prediction Resistance SHA-1           SHA-384 SHA-224        SHA-512 SHA-256	2413, 2414, 2415, 2416, 2417
		Generic Software (C) Implementation with AVX Modes: HMAC_DRBG Without Prediction Resistance SHA-1           SHA-384 SHA-224        SHA-512 SHA-256	2423, 2424, 2425, 2426, 2427
		Generic Software (C) Implementation with AVX2: Modes: HMAC_DRBG Without Prediction Resistance SHA-1           SHA-384 SHA-224        SHA-512 SHA-256	2408, 2409, 2410, 2411, 2412

Cryptographic Function	Algorithm	Options	Algorithm Certificate Number
Symmetric Encryption and Decryption	[FIPS 197] AES SP 800-38 A SP 800-38 C SP 800-38 E SP 800-38 F	Generic Software (C) Implementation using Assembler Implementation of ECB Modes: ECB           KW CBC CTR	5824, 5826, 5827, 5828, 5835
		Optimized Assembler Implementation Modes: ECB           XTS CBC	5820, 5821, 5822, 5823, 5825
		VNG Implementation using Assembler Implementation of ECB Modes: ECB           GCM CCM	5830, 5831, 5832, 5833, 5834
		Optimized Assembler Implementation using AES-NI Modes: ECB           XTS CBC	5815, 5816, 5817, 5818, 5819
		Generic Software (C) Implementation with AES-NI Modes ECB    CFB128        OFB CBC    CTR            XTS CCM    GCM CFB8   KW	C171, C172, C173, C174, C175
	[SP 800-67] Triple-DES	Triple-DES (K1, K2, K3 independent) Modes: ECB CBC	C176, C177, C236, C237, C238
Digital Signature and Asymmetric Key Generation	[FIPS186-4] RSA PKCS #1.5	Signature Verification Key Sizes: 1024 2048 3072	C176, C177, C236, C237, C238
	[FIPS 186-4] ECDSA ANSI X9.62	Key Pair Generation (PKG): P-224, P-256, P-384, P-521 Public Key Validation (PKV): P-224, P-256, P-384, P-521 Signature Generation: P-224, P-256, P-384, P-521 Signature Verification: P-224, P-256, P-384, P-521	C176, C177, C236, C237, C238

Cryptographic Function	Algorithm	Options	Algorithm Certificate Number
Message Digest	[FIPS 180-4] SHS	Generic Software (C) Implementation SHA-384 SHA-512	C176, C177, C236, C237, C238
		Generic Software (C) Implementation with SSE3 SHA-1                    SHA-384 SHA-224                 SHA-512 SHA-256	4621, 4622, 4623, 4624, 4625
		Generic Software (C) Implementation with AVX SHA-1                    SHA-384 SHA-224                 SHA-512 SHA-256	4626, 4627, 4628, 4629, 4630
		Generic Software (C) Implementation with AVX2 SHA-1                    SHA-384 SHA-224                 SHA-512 SHA-256	4616, 4617, 4618, 4619, 4620
Keyed Hash	[FIPS 198] HMAC	Generic Software (C) Implementation HMAC-SHA-384 HMAC-SHA-512	C176, C177, C236, C237, C238
		Generic Software (C) Implementation with SSE3 HMAC-SHA-1            HMAC-SHA-384 HMAC-SHA-224        HMAC-SHA-512 HMAC-SHA-256	3846, 3847, 3848, 3849, 3850
		Generic Software (C) Implementation with AVX HMAC-SHA-1            HMAC-SHA-384 HMAC-SHA-224        HMAC-SHA-512 HMAC-SHA-256	3851, 3852, 3853, 3854, 3855
		Generic Software (C) Implementation with AVX2 HMAC-SHA-1            HMAC-SHA-384 HMAC-SHA-224        HMAC-SHA-512 HMAC-SHA-256	3841, 3842, 3843, 3844, 3845
Key Derivation	[SP 800-132] PBKDF	Password based key derivation using HMAC with SHA-1 or SHA-2	Vendor Affirmed
MD5	Message Digest	Digest Size: 128-bit	Non-Approved, but Allowed <sup>1</sup>
NDRNG	Random Number Generation	N/A	Non-Approved, but Allowed <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> MD5 is used as part of the TLS key establishment scheme only.

<sup>2</sup> NDRNG is provided by the underlying operational environment.

Cryptographic Function	Algorithm	Options	Algorithm Certificate Number
RSA Key Wrapping	[FIPS 186-4]	PKCS#1 v1.5 Modulus size: 2048-bits or 3072-bits	Non-Approved, but allowed <sup>3</sup>
	[SP800-56B]	KTS-OAEP	

Table 3: Approved, Allowed or Vendor Affirmed Security Functions

Note: PBKDFv2 is implemented to support all options specified in Section 5.4 of SP800-132. The password consists of at least 6 alphanumeric characters from the ninety-six (96) printable and human-readable characters. The probability that a random attempt at guessing the password will succeed or a false acceptance will occur is equal to  $1/96^6$ . The derived keys may only be used in storage applications. Additional guidance to appropriate usage is specified in section 7.

## 2.2.2 Non-Approved Security Functions:

Cryptographic Function	Usage / Description	Caveat
ANSI X9.63	Hash Based KDF	Non-Approved
Blowfish	Encryption / Decryption	Non-Approved
CAST5	Encryption / Decryption Key Sizes: 40 to 128 bits in 8-bit increments	Non-Approved
DES	Encryption / Decryption Key Size 56 bits	Non-Approved
ECDSA	Key Pair Generation (PKG): curves P-192 Public Key Validation (PKV): curves P-192 Signature Generation: curves P-192	Non-Approved
	Key generation for compact point representation of points	Non-Approved
Ed25519	Key Agreement Signature Generation Signature Verification	Non-Approved
Integrated Encryption Scheme on elliptic curves	Encryption / Decryption	Non-Approved
MD2	Message Digest Digest size 128 bit	Non-Approved
MD4	Message Digest Digest size 128 bit	Non-Approved
OMAC (One-Key CBC MAC)	MAC generation	Non-Approved
RSA Key Wrapping	RSA Key Wrapping using key sizes < 2048-bits	Non-Approved

<sup>3</sup> RSA key wrapping is used for key establishment. Methodology provides 112 or 128 bits of encryption strength

<b>Cryptographic Function</b>	<b>Usage / Description</b>	<b>Caveat</b>
RFC6637 KDF	KDF based on RFC 6637	Non-Approved
RIPEDM	Message Digest Digest size 128, 160, 256, 320 bits	Non-Approved
RC2	Encryption / Decryption Key sizes: 8 to 1024 bits	Non-Approved
RC4	Encryption / Decryption Key sizes: 8 to 1024 bits	Non-Approved
Triple-DES	Encryption / Decryption: Two Key Implementation	Non-Approved
	Optimized Assembler Implementation: Encryption / Decryption Mode: CTR	Non-Compliant
AES-CMAC	AES-128 MAC generation	Non-Compliant
SP800-108	KBKDF Modes: CTR, Feedback	Non-Compliant
SP800-56C	Key Derivation Function	Non- Compliant
RSA FIPS186-4 Signature Verification	PKCS#1 v1.5 Signature Verification Key sizes (modulus): 1536 bits, 4096	Non-Compliant

Table 4: Non-Approved or Non-Compliant Security Functions

The encryption strengths included in Table 4 for the key establishment methods are determined in accordance with FIPS 140-2 Implementation Guidance [IG] section 7.5 and NIST Special Publication 800-57 (Part1) [SP800-57P1].

Note: A Non-Approved function in Table 4 is that the function implements a non-Approved algorithm, while a Non-Compliant function is that the function implements an Approved algorithm but the implementation is not validated by the CAVP.

## 2.3 Cryptographic Module Boundary

The physical boundary of the module is the physical boundary of the macOS device that contains the module. Consequently, the embodiment of the module is a multi-chip standalone cryptographic module.

The logical module boundary is depicted in the logical block diagram given in Figure 1.

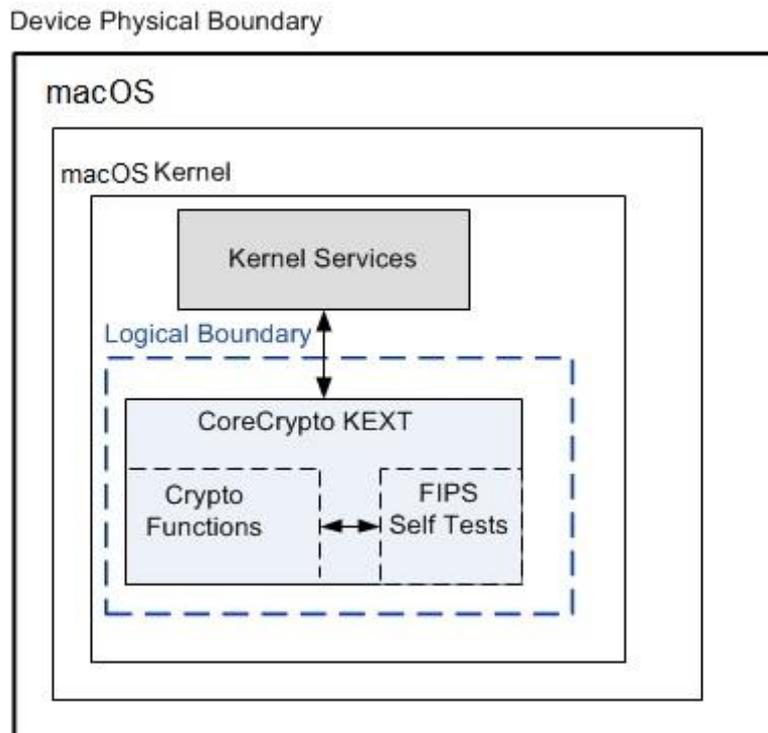


Figure 1: Logical Block Diagram

## 2.4 Module Usage Considerations

A user of the module must consider the following requirements and restrictions when using the module:

- AES-GCM IV is constructed in accordance with SP800-38D in compliance with IG A.5 scenario 1. The GCM IV generation follows RFC 5288 and shall only be used for the TLS protocol version 1.2. Users should consult SP 800-38D, especially section 8, for all of the details and requirements of using AES-GCM mode. In case the module's power is lost and then restored, the key used for the AES GCM encryption/decryption shall be re-distributed.
- AES-XTS mode is only approved for hardware storage applications. The length of the XTS-AES data unit does not exceed  $2^{20}$  blocks.
- When using AES, the caller must obtain a reference to the cipher implementation via the functions of `ccaes_[cbc|ecb]..._[encrypt|decrypt]_mode`.
- When using SHA, the caller must obtain a reference to the cipher implementation via the functions `ccsha[1|224|256|384|512]_di`.
- In order to meet the IG A.13 requirement, the same Triple-DES key shall not be used to encrypt more than  $2^{16}$  64-bit blocks of data.

### 3 Cryptographic Module Ports and Interfaces

The underlying logical interfaces of the module are the C language Kernel Programming Interfaces (KPIs). In detail these interfaces are the following:

- Data input and data output are provided in the variables passed in the KPI and callable service invocations, generally through caller-supplied buffers. Hereafter, KPIs and callable services will be referred to as “KPI.”
- Control inputs which control the mode of the module are provided through dedicated parameters, namely the kernel module plist whose information is supplied to the module by the kernel module loader.
- Status output is provided in return codes and through messages. Documentation for each KPI lists possible return codes. A complete list of all return codes returned by the C language KPIs within the module is provided in the header files and the KPI documentation. Messages are documented also in the KPI documentation.

The module is optimized for library used within the macOS kernel and does not contain any terminating assertions or exceptions. It is implemented as an macOS kernel extension. The dynamically loadable library is loaded into the macOS kernel and its cryptographic functions are made available to macOS Kernel services only. Any internal error detected by the module is reflected back to the caller with an appropriate return code. The calling macOS Kernel service must examine the return code and act accordingly. There is one notable exceptions: ECDSA does not return a key if the pair-wise consistency test fails.

The function executing FIPS 140-2 module self-tests does not return an error code but causes the system to panic if any self-test fails – see Section 9.

The module communicates error status synchronously through the use of documented return codes indicating the module’s status. It is the responsibility of the caller to handle exceptional conditions in a FIPS 140-2 appropriate manner.

Caller-induced or internal errors do not reveal any sensitive material to callers.

Cryptographic bypass capability is not supported by the module.

## 4 Roles, Services and Authentication

This section defines the roles, services and authentication mechanisms and methods with respect to the applicable FIPS 140-2 requirements.

### 4.1 Roles

The module supports a single instance of the two authorized roles: the Crypto Officer and the User. No support is provided for multiple concurrent operators or a maintenance operator.

Role	General Responsibilities and Services (details see below)
User	Utilization of services of the module listed in sections 2.1 and 4.2
Crypto Officer (CO)	Utilization of services of the module listed in sections 2.1 and 4.2.

Table 5: Roles

### 4.2 Services

The module provides services to authorized operators of either the User or Crypto Officer roles according to the applicable FIPS 140-2 security requirements.

Table 6 contains the cryptographic functions employed by the module in the Approved Mode. For each available service it lists, the associated role, the Critical Security Parameters (CSPs) and cryptographic keys involved, and the type(s) of access to the CSPs and cryptographic keys.

CSPs contain security-related information (secret and private cryptographic keys, for example) whose disclosure or modification can compromise the main security objective of the module, namely the protection of sensitive information.

The access types are denoted as follows:

- R<sup>4</sup>: the item is read or referenced by the service
- W: the item is written or updated by the service
- Z: the persistent item is zeroized by the service

Service	Roles		CSPs & crypto keys	Access Type
	USER	CO		
Triple-DES Encryption / Decryption  Encryption <i>Input:</i> plaintext, IV, key <i>Output:</i> ciphertext  Decryption <i>Input:</i> ciphertext, IV, key <i>Output:</i> plaintext	X	X	Secret key	R

<sup>4</sup> The access type of R refers to reading of the CSP. This can be thought as synonymous with execute CSP/key.

Service	Roles		CSPs & crypto keys	Access Type
	USER	CO		
<p>AES Encryption / Decryption</p> <p>Encryption <i>Input:</i> plaintext, IV, key <i>Output:</i> ciphertext</p> <p>Decryption <i>Input:</i> ciphertext, IV, key <i>Output:</i> plaintext</p>	X	X	Secret key	R W
<p>AES Key Wrapping</p> <p>Encryption <i>Input:</i> plaintext, key <i>Output:</i> ciphertext</p> <p>Decryption <i>Input:</i> ciphertext, key <i>Output:</i> plaintext</p>	X	X	secret key	R W
<p>RSA Key Wrapping</p> <p>Encryption <i>Input:</i> plaintext, RSA public key, the SHA algorithm <i>Output:</i> ciphertext</p> <p>Decryption <i>Input:</i> ciphertext, RSA private key, the SHA algorithm <i>Output:</i> plaintext</p>	X	X	RSA key pair	R W
<p>Secure Hash Generation using SHA1, SHA-256, SHA-384, or SHA-512</p> <p><i>Input:</i> message <i>Output:</i> message digest</p>	X	X	None	N/A
<p>HMAC generation using HMAC-SHA1, HMAC-SHA-256, HMAC-SHA-384, or HMAC-SHA-512</p> <p><i>Input:</i> HMAC key, message <i>Output:</i> HMAC value of message</p>	X	X	Secret HMAC key	R W
<p>RSA signature verification</p> <p><i>Input:</i> the module n, the public key e, the SHA algorithm (SHA-1/SHA-224/SHA-256/SHA-384/SHA-512), a message m, a signature for the message <i>Output:</i> pass if the signature is valid, fail if the signature is invalid</p>	X	X	RSA key pair	R W

Service	Roles		CSPs & crypto keys	Access Type
	USER	CO		
<p>ECDSA Signature generation / Signature verification</p> <p>Signature generation  <i>Input:</i> message m,  q, a, b, X<sub>G</sub>, Y<sub>G</sub>, n,  the SHA algorithm (SHA-224/SHA-256/SHA-384/SHA-512)  sender's private key d  <i>Output:</i> signature of m as a pair of r and s</p> <p>Signature verification  <i>Input:</i> received message m',  signature in form on r' and s' pair,  q, a, b, X<sub>G</sub>, Y<sub>G</sub>, n,  sender's public key Q,  the SHA algorithm (SHA-1/SHA-224/SHA-256/SHA-384/SHA-512)  <i>Output:</i> pass if the signature is valid,  fail if the signature is invalid</p>	X	X	ECDSA key pair	R W
<p>ECDSA Key Pair Generation</p> <p><i>Input:</i> q, FR, a, b, domain_parameter_seed, G, n, h.  <i>Output:</i> private key d, public key Q</p>	X	X	ECDSA key pair	R W Z
<p>Random number generation</p> <p><i>Input:</i> Entropy Input, Nonce,  Personalization String  <i>Output:</i> Returned Bits</p>	X	X	Entropy input string, Nonce, V and Key	R W Z
<p>PBKDF Password-based key derivation</p> <p><i>Input:</i> encrypted key and password  <i>Output:</i> plaintext key  or  <i>Input:</i> plaintext key and password  <i>Output:</i> encrypted data</p>	X	X	Secret key, password	R W Z
<p>Release all resources of symmetric crypto function context (Symmetric Key Zeroization)</p> <p><i>Input:</i> context  <i>Output:</i> N/A</p>	X	X	AES/Triple-DES key	Z
<p>Release all resources of hash context (MAC Key Zeroization)</p> <p><i>Input:</i> context  <i>Output:</i> N/A</p>	X	X	HMAC key	Z

Service	Roles		CSPs & crypto keys	Access Type
	USER	CO		
Release all resources of asymmetric crypto function context (Asymmetric Key Zeroization) <i>Input:</i> context <i>Output:</i> N/A	X	X	Asymmetric keys (ECDSA)	Z
Reboot <i>Input:</i> N/A <i>Output:</i> N/A	X	X	N/A	N/A
Self-test <i>Input:</i> N/A <i>Output:</i> pass if the Self-test is successful, fail if the Self-test is unsuccessful	X	X	Software integrity key	R
Show Status <i>Input:</i> N/A <i>Output:</i> Status of module	X	X	None	N/A

Table 6: Approved and Allowed Services in Approved Mode

Service	Roles		Access Type
	USER	CO	
Integrated Encryption Scheme on elliptic curves encryption and decryption	X	X	R
DES Encryption	X	X	R
DES Decryption			
Triple-DES Encryption	X	X	R
	X	X	R
Triple-DES Decryption	X	X	R
	X	X	R
CAST5 Encryption	X	X	R
CAST5 Decryption			
Blowfish Encryption	X	X	R
Blowfish Decryption			
RC2 Encryption	X	X	R
RC2 Decryption			
RC4 Encryption	X	X	R
RC4 Decryption			
MD2 Hash Generation	X	X	R W

Service		Roles		Access Type
		USER	CO	
MD4 Hash Generation		X	X	R W
RIPEMD Hash Generation		X	X	R W
RSA Key Wrapping	RSA-OAEP	X	X	R
	PKCS#1 v1.5, PKCS#1 v2.1 using key sizes < 2048			
RSA Signature Verification with PKCS#1 v1.5 Key sizes: 1536 bits, 4096 bits		X	X	R W
ECDSA Key Pair Generation for compact point representation of points		X	X	R W
ECDSA Key Generation: curve P-192		X	X	R W
ECDSA Public Key Verification: curve P-192				
ECDSA Signature Generation: curve P-192				
ECDSA Signature Verification: curve P-192				
Ed25519 Key agreement		X	X	R W
Ed25519 Signature Generation				
Ed25519 Signature Verification				
SP800-56C Key Derivation		X	X	R W
ANSI X9.63 Hash based Key Derivation		X	X	R W
SP800-108 Key Derivation Modes: Feedback, CTR		X	X	R W
RFC6637 Key Derivation		X	X	R W
AES-CMAC MAC Generation		X	X	R W
OMAC MAC Generation		X	X	R W

Table 7: Non-Approved Services in Non-Approved Mode

### 4.3 Operator authentication

Within the constraints of FIPS 140-2 level 1, the module does not implement an authentication mechanism for operator authentication. The assumption of a role is implicit in the action taken.

The module relies upon the operating system for any operator authentication.

## 5 Physical Security

The Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel is a software cryptographic module running on a multi-chip standalone general-purpose computer. The FIPS 140-2 physical security requirements do not apply to this module since it is a software module.

## **6 Operational Environment**

The following sections describe the macOS Mojave 10.14, operational environment of the Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel.

### **6.1 Applicability**

The Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel operates in a modifiable operational environment per FIPS 140-2 level 1 specifications. The module is included in macOS Mojave, a commercially available general-purpose operating system executing on the hardware specified in section 2.1.3

### **6.2 Policy**

The operating system is restricted to a single-user mode of operation of the module (single-user mode; concurrent operators are explicitly excluded).

FIPS Self-Test functionality is invoked along with mandatory FIPS 140-2 tests when the module is loaded into memory by the operating system.

## 7 Cryptographic Key Management

The following section defines the key management features available through the Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel.

### 7.1 Random Number Generation

The module uses a FIPS 140-2 approved deterministic random bit generator (DRBG) based on a block cipher as specified in NIST SP 800-90A. The default Approved DRBG used for random number generation is a CTR\_DRBG with derivation function and without prediction resistance. The module also employs a HMAC-DRBG for random number generation. Seeding is obtained by `read_random` (a true random number generator). `read_random` obtains entropy from interrupts generated by the devices and sensors attached to the system and maintains an entropy pool. The NDRNG feeds entropy from the pool into the DRBG on demand. The NDRNG provides 256-bits of entropy.

### 7.2 Key / CSP Generation

The following approved key generation methods are used by the module:

- The module does not implement symmetric key generation. In accordance with FIPS 140-2 IG D.12, the cryptographic module performs Cryptographic Key Generation (CKG) for asymmetric keys as per SP800-133 (vendor affirmed), compliant with [FIPS186-4], and using DRBG compliant with [SP800-90A]. A seed (i.e. the random value) used in asymmetric key generation is obtained from [SP800-90A] DRBG. The generated seed is an unmodified output from the DRBG. The key generation service for ECDSA as well as the SP 800-90A DRBG have been CAVS tested with algorithm certificates found in Table 3.

It is not possible for the module to output information during the key generating process.

### 7.3 Key / CSP Establishment

The module provides AES key wrapping, and RSA key wrapping -based key establishment services. The RSA key wrapping service is non-approved but allowed.

The module also provides key establishment services in the Approved mode through the SP 800-132 PBKDFv2 algorithm. The PBKDFv2 function returns the key derived from the provided password to the caller. The keys derived from SP 800-132 map to section 4.1 of SP 800-133 as indirect generation from DRBG. The caller shall observe all requirements and should consider all recommendations specified in SP800-132 with respect to the strength of the generated key, including the quality of the salt as well as the number of iterations. The implementation of the PBKDFv2 function requires the user to provide this information.

### 7.4 Key / CSP Entry and Output

All keys are entered from, or output to, the invoking kernel service running on the same device. All keys entered into the module are electronically entered in plain text form. Keys are output from the module in plain text form if required by the calling kernel service. The same holds for the CSPs.

### 7.5 Key / CSP Storage

The Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel considers all keys in memory to be ephemeral. They are received for use or generated by the module only at the command of the calling kernel service. The same holds for CSPs.

The module protects all keys, secret or private, and CSPs through the memory protection mechanisms provided by macOS, including the separation between the kernel and user-space. No process can read the memory of another process. No user-space application can read the kernel memory.

## **7.6 Key / CSP Zeroization**

Keys and CSPs are zeroized when the appropriate context object is destroyed or when the system is powered down.

## **8 Electromagnetic Interference/Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMI/EMC)**

The EMI/EMC properties of the CoreCrypto KEXT are not applicable for the software library. The devices containing the software components of the module have their own overall EMI/EMC rating. The validation test environments have FCC, part 15, Class B rating.

## 9 Self-Tests

FIPS 140-2 requires that the module performs self-tests to ensure the integrity of the module and the correctness of the cryptographic functionality at start up. In addition, the DRBG requires continuous verification. The FIPS Self-Tests functionality runs all required module self-tests. This functionality is invoked by the macOS Kernel startup process upon device initialization. If the self-tests succeed, the CoreCrypto KEXT instance is maintained in the memory of the macOS Kernel on the device and made available to each calling kernel service without reloading. All self-tests performed by the module are listed and described in this section.

### 9.1 Power-Up Tests

The following tests are performed each time the Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel starts and must be completed successfully for the module to operate in the FIPS approved mode. If any of the following tests fails the system shuts down automatically. To run the self-tests on demand, the user may reboot the system.

#### 9.1.1 Cryptographic Algorithm Tests

Algorithm	Modes	Test
Triple-DES	CBC	KAT (Known Answer Test) Separate encryption / decryption operations are performed
AES implementations selected by the module for the corresponding environment AES-128	ECB, CBC, XTS	KAT Separate encryption / decryption operations are performed
DRBG (CTR_DRBG and HMAC_DRBG; tested separately)	N/A	KAT
HMAC-SHA-1, HMAC-SHA-256, HMAC-SHA-512	N/A	KAT
ECDSA	Signature Generation, Signature Verification	pair-wise consistency test
RSA	Signature Verification	KAT

Table 8: Cryptographic Algorithm Tests

#### 9.1.2 Software / Firmware Integrity Tests

A software integrity test is performed on the runtime image of the Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel. The CoreCrypto's HMAC-SHA-256 is used as an approved algorithm for the integrity test. If the test fails, then the system shuts down automatically.

#### 9.1.3 Critical Function Tests

No other critical function test is performed on power up.

### 9.2 Conditional Tests

The following sections describe the conditional tests supported by the Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel.

#### 9.2.1 Continuous Random Number Generator Test

The Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel performs a continuous random number generator test on the noise source (i.e. NDRNG), whenever it is invoked to seed the SP800-90A DRBG.

## **9.2.2 Pair-wise Consistency Test**

The Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel generates asymmetric keys and performs all required pair-wise consistency tests (signature generation and verification) with the newly generated key pairs.

## **9.2.3 SP 800-90A Health Tests**

The Apple CoreCrypto Kernel Module v9.0 for Intel performs the health tests as specified in section 11.3 of SP 800-90A.

## **9.2.4 Critical Function Test**

No other critical function test is performed conditionally.

## 10 Design Assurance

### 10.1 Configuration Management

Apple manages and records source code and associated documentation files by using the revision control system called “Git”.

Apple module hardware data, which includes descriptions, parts data, part types, bills of materials, manufacturers, changes, history, and documentation are managed and recorded. Additionally, configuration management is provided for the module’s FIPS documentation.

The following naming/numbering convention for documentation is applied.

<evaluation>\_<module>\_<os>\_<mode>\_<doc name>\_<doc version (##.##)>

Example: FIPS\_CORECRYPTO\_MACOS\_KS\_SECPOL\_5.0

Document management utilities provide access control, versioning, and logging. Access to the Git repository (source tree) is granted or denied by the server administrator in accordance with company and team policy.

### 10.2 Delivery and Operation

The CoreCrypto KEXT is built into macOS Mojave. For additional assurance, it is digitally signed. The Approved Mode is configured by default and can only be transitioned into the non-Approved mode by calling one of the non-Approved algorithms listed in Table 4.

### 10.3 Development

The Apple crypto module (like any other Apple software) undergoes frequent builds utilizing a “train” philosophy. Source code is submitted to the Build and Integration group (B & I). B & I builds, integrates and does basic sanity checking on the operating systems and apps that they produce. Copies of older versions are archived offsite in underground granite vaults.

### 10.4 Guidance

The following guidance items are to be used for assistance in maintaining the module’s validated status while in use.

#### 10.4.1 Cryptographic Officer Guidance

The Approved Mode of operation is configured in the system by default and can only be transitioned into the non-Approved mode by calling one of the non-Approved algorithms listed in Table 4. If the device starts up successfully then CoreCrypto KEXT has passed all self-tests and is operating in the Approved Mode.

A Crypto Officer Role Guide is provided by Apple which offers IT System Administrators with the necessary technical information to ensure FIPS 140-2 Compliance of macOS Mojave systems. This guide walks the reader through the system’s assertion of cryptographic module integrity and the steps necessary if module integrity requires remediation. A link to the Guide can be found on the Product security, validations, and guidance page found in [UG].

#### 10.4.2 User Guidance

The Approved Mode of operation is configured in the system by default and can only be transitioned into the non-Approved mode by calling one of the non-Approved algorithms listed in Table 4. If the device starts up successfully then CoreCrypto KEXT has passed all self-tests and is operating in the Approved Mode. Kernel programmers that use the module KPI shall not attempt to invoke any KPI call directly and only adhere to defined interfaces through the kernel framework.

## 11 Mitigation of Other Attacks

The module protects against the utilization of known Triple-DES weak keys. The following keys are not permitted:

```
{0x01,0x01,0x01,0x01,0x01,0x01,0x01,0x01},
{0xFE,0xFE,0xFE,0xFE,0xFE,0xFE,0xFE,0xFE},
{0x1F,0x1F,0x1F,0x1F,0x0E,0x0E,0x0E,0x0E},
{0xE0,0xE0,0xE0,0xE0,0xF1,0xF1,0xF1,0xF1},
{0x01,0xFE,0x01,0xFE,0x01,0xFE,0x01,0xFE},
{0xFE,0x01,0xFE,0x01,0xFE,0x01,0xFE,0x01},
{0x1F,0xE0,0x1F,0xE0,0x0E,0xF1,0x0E,0xF1},
{0xE0,0x1F,0xE0,0x1F,0xF1,0x0E,0xF1,0x0E},
{0x01,0xE0,0x01,0xE0,0x01,0xF1,0x01,0xF1},
{0xE0,0x01,0xE0,0x01,0xF1,0x01,0xF1,0x01},
{0x1F,0xFE,0x1F,0xFE,0x0E,0xFE,0x0E,0xFE},
{0xFE,0x1F,0xFE,0x1F,0xFE,0x0E,0xFE,0x0E},
{0x01,0x1F,0x01,0x1F,0x01,0x0E,0x01,0x0E},
{0x1F,0x01,0x1F,0x01,0x0E,0x01,0x0E,0x01},
{0xE0,0xFE,0xE0,0xFE,0xF1,0xFE,0xF1,0xFE},
{0xFE,0xE0,0xFE,0xE0,0xFE,0xF1,0xFE,0xF1}.
```